LATE NEWS FLASH

THE UNITED STATES AGREED TODAY TO ACCEPT THE JAPANESE SURRENDER OFFER PROVIDED THE SUPREME COMMANDER OF THE ALLIED POWERS RULE JAPAN THROUGH THE AUTHORITY OF THE EMPEROR. THIS WAS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED A FEW MINUTES AGO BY SECRETARY OF STATE JAMES F. BYRNES. BYRNES MADE THIS OFFER ON BEHALF OF ALL THE FOUR ALLIED POWERS, UNITED STATES, SOVIET RUSSIA, GREAT BRITIAN AND CHINA. BYRNES SAID THE FOUR POWERS WOULD ACCEPT THE JAPANESE SURRENDER PROPOSAL IF THE EMPEROR IS MADE SUBJECT TO ALLIED SUPREME COMMANDER.

WASHINGTON:

REPLY TO JAPANESE OFFER WAS HANDED TO SWISS CHARGE OF AFFAIRS IN WASHINGTON BY SECRETARY OF STATE BYRNES IN BEHALF OF ALLIED POWERS AT FOURTEEN HUNDRED THIRTY(GCT)--JAPANS CONDITIONAL ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF POTSDAM DECLARATION SAID THAT JAPAN WOULD AGREE TO "WITH UNDERSTANDING THAT SAID DECLARATION DOES NOT COMPRISE ANY DEMAND WHICH PREJUDICED PREROGITIVES OF HIS MAJESTY AS SOVEREIGN RULER."

BYRNES STATED ALLIED PROPOSITION ON THIS CONDITION AS FOLLOWS

FROM MOMENT OF SURRENDER AUTHORITY OF EMPEROR AND JAPANESE GOVERNMENT OF RULE SHALL BE SUBJECT TO SUPREME COMMANDER OF ALLIED POWERS WHO WILL TAKE SUCH STEPS AS HE TERMS PROPER TO EFFECT SURRENDER TERMS

AT PRESENT MOMENT THERE IS NO ALLIED SUPREME COMMANDER OF THE FORCES FIGHTING JAPAN.

ALLIES REPLY TO JAPANESE OFFER BROADCAST FRIDAY JAPANESE TIME BY TOKYO RADIO ALSO CONTAINED THE FOLLOWING STIPULATIONS:

EMPEROR WILL BE REQUIRED TO AUTHORIZE AND INSURE SIGNATURE BY GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN AND JAPANESE IMPERIAL HEADQUARTERS OF SURRENDER TERMS.

TO CARRY OUT PROVISIONS OF POTSDAM DECLARATION AND SHALL INSURE COMMANDS TO ALL JAPANESE MILITARY NAVAL AND AIR FORCES AND TO ALL FORCES UNDER THEIR CONTROL WHEREVER LOCATED TO CEASE ACTIVE OPERATIONS AND TO SURRENDER THEIR ARMS AND TO ISSUE SUCH OTHER ORDERS AS SUPREME COMMANDER MAY REQUIRE TO BE SUBJECT TO SURRENDER TERMS.

IMMEDIATELY UPON SURRENDER JAPAN SHALL TRANSPORT PRISONERS OF WAR AND CIVILIAN INTERNEES TO PLACES OF SAFETY AS INDICATED WHERE THEY CAN QUICKLY BE PLACED ABOARD ALLIED TRANSPORTS.

ULTIMATE FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN SHALL, IN ACCORDANCE WITH POTSDAM DECLARATION BE ESTABLISHED BY FREELY EXPRESSED WILL OF JAPANESE PEOPLE.

ARMED FORCES OF ALLIED POWERS WILL REMAIN IN JAPAN UNTIL PROPOSALS SET FORTH IN POTSDAM DECLARATION ARE ACHIEVED